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Tassilodus

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Tassilodus is an [extinct genus](#) of [euselachian chondrichthyan](#) known from the [Early Devonian](#) of southern [Algeria](#).^[1]







Discovery [[edit](#)]

Tassilodus is known from the [holotype](#) specimen [MNHN.F.ALD-15](#), a complete tooth. Other [syntypes](#) include [MNHN.F.ALD-16](#) (a tooth), scales [MNHN.F.ALD-17](#) to 35 and thin sections [MNHN.F.ALD-30-32](#), 34 and 35. Apart from the syntypes, additional 107 scales are known, all of which were collected in the type locality. *Tassilodus* specimens were collected near In Guezzam, from the Oued Felaou or Anou Izileg of southern Algeria, which dates to the [Emsian](#) stage of the late [Early Devonian](#).^[1]

Etymology [[edit](#)]

Tassilodus was first named by Claire Derycke and Daniel Goujet in [2011](#) and the [type species](#) is *Tassilodus lessardi*. The [generic name](#) is derived from locality in which the specimens were found, Tassili Oua-N'ahaggar of [Tamanghasset](#), Algeria and from [Greek](#) *odus* meaning "tooth". The [specific name](#) honors [L. Lessard](#), a [hydrogeologist](#) who discovered the material in the 1960s.^[1]

References [[edit](#)]

- ↑ ^a ***b*** ***c*** Claire Derycke and Daniel Goujet (2011). "Multicuspidate shark teeth associated with chondrichthyan and acanthodian scales from the Emsian (Devonian) of southern Algeria"   (PDF). *Geodiversitas*. **33** (2): 209–226. doi:10.5252/g2011n2a1  . Archived from the original   (PDF) on 2011-08-08.

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Tassilodus

Temporal range: **Early Devonian**,
Emsian

PreЄЄOS**D**CTPJKPgN

Scientific classification 

Kingdom: [Animalia](#)

Phylum: [Chordata](#)

Class: [Chondrichthyes](#)

Infraclass: [Euselachii](#)

Genus: †***Tassilodus***
Derycke & Goujet, 2011

Type species

†***Tassilodus lessardi***
Derycke & Goujet, 2011

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